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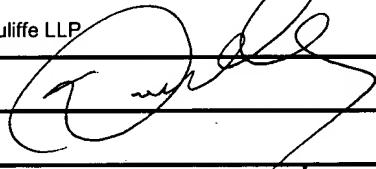
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In response to the *Ex parte Quayle* Action mailed on September 30, 2004 in connection with the above-identified patent application, setting a two (2) month deadline for response, applicants submit herewith:

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- a substitute Sequence Listing in computer readable format (CRF);
- the required statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821,

and the following amendments to the specification and remarks.

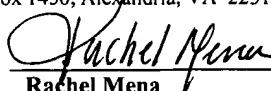
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